

Table 5. Percent distribution of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses involving days away from work¹ by selected injury or illness characteristics and industry division, 1999

California--private industry

Characteristic	Private industry ²	Goods producing				Service producing				
		Agriculture, forestry, and fishing ²	Mining ³	Construction	Manufacturing	Transportation and public utilities ³	Wholesale trade	Retail trade	Finance, insurance, and real estate	Services
Total [184,973 cases]	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Nature of injury, illness:										
Sprains, strains	37.6	28.8	39.9	30.5	34.7	42.2	44.1	37.0	32.8	42.4
Bruises, contusions	6.0	4.7	5.3	5.9	5.6	7.3	5.4	4.9	4.3	7.2
Cuts, lacerations	8.1	7.7	6.9	12.7	9.2	3.7	4.8	14.2	1.6	4.1
Fractures	5.9	12.4	7.5	8.0	6.1	4.0	6.3	7.3	2.7	3.4
Heat burns	1.1	1.2	1.9	1.0	1.3	--	--	2.0	--	1.0
Carpal tunnel syndrome	1.6	--	6.0	--	2.1	1.8	2.1	1.3	3.9	1.8
Tendonitis	1.2	1.4	--	--	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	2.3	1.7
Chemical burns	0.3	--	--	--	0.4	--	--	0.4	--	0.5
Amputations	0.6	--	--	0.9	1.7	0.6	--	0.5	--	0.2
Multiple injuries	4.5	4.9	4.3	5.2	5.6	3.4	3.1	3.9	4.8	4.7
Part of body affected:										
Head	6.1	9.7	6.6	9.5	6.4	7.0	3.8	5.0	3.8	4.8
Eye	2.9	4.9	4.0	5.6	4.1	2.2	1.8	2.0	1.0	1.7
Neck	1.5	--	--	0.8	1.1	2.0	1.6	1.5	--	2.0
Trunk	34.8	26.3	29.0	32.2	31.2	35.2	45.2	34.8	32.2	37.6
Shoulder	4.5	2.4	3.6	3.7	4.8	4.1	5.2	4.6	2.8	5.2
Back	23.5	18.8	17.7	20.6	19.3	24.8	30.6	24.1	23.9	25.6
Upper extremities	24.5	29.4	28.3	25.7	31.5	19.3	18.0	30.2	20.8	18.6
Wrist	4.8	4.9	9.4	3.2	5.7	4.6	3.8	5.0	7.0	5.0
Hand, except finger	4.3	8.9	2.6	3.6	4.3	2.9	1.8	7.5	4.1	2.8
Finger	9.0	6.9	7.3	12.8	14.1	4.3	7.5	12.8	3.2	4.5
Lower extremities	17.7	22.1	23.5	20.4	16.4	20.4	14.3	16.6	14.6	17.2
Knee	6.3	4.9	6.5	7.5	5.1	7.8	5.7	5.9	4.3	6.7
Foot, except toe	2.7	3.1	2.9	3.4	2.7	2.8	2.2	3.5	4.1	1.6
Toe	0.9	--	2.2	1.0	1.1	1.1	--	0.9	--	0.7
Body systems	2.4	--	2.9	--	2.2	1.7	--	2.1	6.0	4.5
Multiple parts	10.6	6.9	9.2	8.2	9.3	12.8	13.0	8.0	17.2	13.0

See footnotes at end of table.

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Source of injury, illness:										
Chemicals and chemical products	1.4	1.2	--	0.5	2.4	0.3	--	1.1	1.0	2.2
Containers	11.7	8.2	6.7	4.2	11.4	15.9	19.4	16.4	4.2	10.1
Furniture and fixtures	2.5	--	--	0.9	2.4	1.6	--	4.2	2.6	3.6
Machinery	5.9	6.2	10.0	3.7	11.6	2.5	4.5	8.6	3.9	3.1
Parts and materials	8.3	9.8	7.2	21.0	13.4	5.5	5.8	5.5	2.6	2.6
Worker motion or position	27.3	25.3	14.8	22.1	27.5	28.9	32.7	24.7	36.7	28.9
Floors, walkways, ground surfaces	12.9	11.7	20.1	15.9	9.7	11.2	10.7	14.9	17.4	12.8
Tools, instruments, and equipment	5.6	4.7	10.2	11.8	5.0	2.2	2.7	7.0	1.7	4.6
Vehicles	7.0	7.9	6.2	2.6	4.0	17.4	9.4	5.8	7.7	7.1
Health care patient	2.2	--	--	--	--	0.6	--	--	--	8.6
Event or exposure:										
Contact with objects and equipment	23.9	32.0	27.7	37.0	31.9	18.0	19.5	25.9	10.7	14.4
Struck by object	11.7	14.4	11.3	18.9	13.8	9.1	10.7	12.6	3.2	7.8
Struck against object	5.1	3.4	8.6	7.4	6.4	4.0	2.7	7.1	5.2	3.1
Caught in equipment or object	3.1	7.0	7.0	3.6	6.3	2.1	4.0	1.9	--	1.3
Fall to lower level	4.6	6.1	13.0	12.2	2.8	4.6	5.8	3.2	3.3	2.2
Fall to same level	9.0	7.2	3.1	4.8	7.1	8.1	5.1	12.8	14.3	10.5
Slips, trips, loss of balance--without fall	4.3	3.9	2.2	3.4	2.6	3.7	4.0	6.7	2.7	4.7
Overexertion	19.2	10.6	28.0	13.6	17.8	20.4	21.1	20.5	10.4	23.7
Overexertion in lifting	11.1	8.3	11.7	8.0	10.9	11.7	15.0	14.2	5.9	10.5
Repetitive motion	5.2	3.6	12.0	1.1	6.7	5.0	6.8	3.3	12.2	6.6
Exposure to harmful substances	3.9	5.1	5.8	2.0	4.5	3.2	3.0	3.5	2.1	5.4
Transportation accidents	4.6	3.1	--	1.9	2.6	11.6	6.2	3.2	7.1	4.8
Fires and explosions	0.2	--	--	0.3	0.2	--	--	0.4	--	--
Assaults and violent acts by person	1.5	--	--	0.6	0.2	0.3	--	1.4	2.7	3.9

¹ Days-away-from-work cases include those which result in days away from work with or without restricted work activity.

² Excludes farms with fewer than 11 employees.

³ Data conforming to OSHA definitions for mining operators in coal, metal, and nonmetal mining and for employers in railroad transportation are provided to BLS by the Mine Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor; and the Federal Railroad Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation. Independent mining contractors are excluded from the coal, metal, and nonmetal industries.

NOTE: Dashes indicate data that are not available. Because of rounding and data exclusion of nonclassifiable responses, data may not sum to the totals.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses in cooperation with participating State agencies.